- space that it had previously paid half a million dollars
- worth of rent since 1986, and then not allow Rainbow to
- demonstrate that it had very good reason to believe that it
- 4 had been defrauded, and that the litigation was not a
- 5 frivolous kind of litigation. It was a serious and very
- 6 substantial litication that Rainbow had every right to
- 7 pursue, and should not be held against them in any manner,
- 8 that they didn't construct because the litigation delayed it
- 9 for a period of months.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: I still don't see how that's
- 11 relevant.
- MS. PCLIVY: Well, I didn't see how the other was
- 13 relevant, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: If it's voluntary, they pursued
- 15 the litigation.
- 16 What does this have to do with -- how does this
- 17 relate to any of the issues?
- 18 MR. EISEN: Because the implication in the record,
- 19 Your Honor, from Press's cross-examination that this lawsuit
- was somehow frivolous, and had nothing to do with any
- 21 significant rights that Press was -- I'm sorry -- that
- 22 Rainbow was seeking to enforce; that it was voluntary and
- 23 that was the reason for the delay in construction.
- MR. COLE: Your Honor, I object to the
 - characterization of Press's argument. I made no reference

- to it being frivelous. I did suggest that it was voluntary
- and I believed the testimony indicated that it was
- 3 voluntary, and I gathered that Rainbow conceded it was
- 4 voluntary.
- 5 MS. POLIVY: Well, Mr. --
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Well, you have heard Press made
- 7 a -- well, clearly it's voluntary. They brought the
- 8 lawsuit. MS. POLIVY: I think then we
- 9 are entitled to show the substance of the lawsuit, Your
- 10 Honor.
- 11 JUDGE CHACHKIN: No, no, we are not going to
- go into the substance of the lawsuit. Then we are going to
- have to bring all the witnesses, and everybody else in.
- MS. PCLIVY: Your Honor, we are not trying to
- 15 retry the lawsuit.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Well, that's what it seems to me.
- MS. PCLIVY: We are trying to show the nature of
- 18 the lawsuit.
- 19 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Well, the nature of the lawsuit
- is set forth in the documents. You are asking him all kinds
- of questions concerning which go well beyond that.
- MS. POLIVY: Your Honor, I would just move Exhibit
- 23 9 and we will move on.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: For what purpose?
- MS. POLIVY: Well, the point, Your Honor, is --

- JUDGE (HACHKIN: I am receiving it for the truth.
- 2 The fact that there was a lawsuit filed, that's the only
- 3 reason that --
- 4 MS. POLIVY: The verified complaint has been
- 5 allowed in. The amended complaint should certainly be
- 6 allowed in.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: The verified complaint was not
- 8 allowed in for the truth of the matters.
- 9 MS. POLIVY: We are not asserting the truth of the
- 10 matters, Your Honor. We are asserting --
- 11 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Just for the fact that it was
- 12 filed?
- MS. POLIVY: -- that it was filed, and these
- 14 things were raised.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Anyone have any objection to the
- 16 amended complaint?
- MR. CCLE: I object. I view it to be irrelevant,
- 18 Your Honor.
- MR. SILBERMAN: What is the Staff's position?
- MR. SILBERMAN: Same objection.
- MS. POLIVY: How can it be irrelevant if the
- 22 verified complaint is in?
- There is no way, Your Honor, that you can allow in
- the verified complaint and not allow in the amended
- 25 complaint.

- MR. SILBERMAN: Your Honor, there is material in
- this amended complaint, notably on page 6, which I would
- 3 have questions of the witness relating to the financial
- 4 misrepresentation issue. On page 6, it's line 5, the
- 5 sentence, "Substantial data concerning Rainbow's future
- 6 economic viability will in turn prevent it from obtaining
- 7 long-term financing that it needs to operate the --
- MS. POLIVY: Your Honor, he has been questioned
- 9 about that ad nauseam.
- MR. SILBERMAN: But that -- may I just --
- MS. POLIVY: You can question him.
- MR. SILBERMAN: Let me -- may I respond to that?
- The questions related to representations made in
- the amended complaint and the testimony of January of 1991.
- This document apparently was filed in July of 1991 after the
- 16 decision of the court in Florida and after the sixth
- 17 extension application was filed in June of 1991, where it
- was represented by Rainbow that it was ready, willing and
- 19 able to go ahead with construction.
- 20 And I think the sentence I just read, which is in
- 21 Rainbow offered Exhibit No. 9, is relevant to the financial
- 22 misrepresentation issue.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: So what is your position? Do you
- 24 oppose?
 - MR. SILBERMAN: Well, I was --

1	JUDGE CHACHKIN:	Do you object to admission of it
2	or you don't?	

- MR. SILBERMAN: Your Honor, I want to preserve our
- 4 right to ask Mr. Rey on recross about that sentence.
- MS. POLIVY: Mr. Rey has testified -- I mean, that
- 6 sentence refers to long-term viability. It has nothing to
- 7 do with the Commission's financial qualifications.
- Frankly, if Mr. Silberman feels he has to go back
- 9 at that again, I have no objection, but certainly that is no
- 10 reason to reject the exhibit.
- MR. COLE: Your Honor, I continue to object to the
- entire exhibit on relevance grounds because, as Mr.
- 13 Silberman correctly points out, while the copy of that I
- have been presented with is not dated, it does appear to
- have been prepared for submission sometime in July of 1991.
- I believe the testimony thus far has indicated that, to the
- 17 extent that the Miami litigation was deemed to be a factor
- in the Rainbow's failure to construct, it was only a factor
- 19 up to and including Judge Marcus's decision on June 6 of
- 20 1991.
- 21 That being the case whatever Rainbow did in that
- litigation thereafter in the way of amending its complaint
- or advancing additional charges appears to be me to be
- 24 irrelevant.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Well, let me get the sequence

1	here	

- 2 When did Rainbow start construction?
- MS. POLIVY: Rainbow started construction in --
- 4 well, it depends. Rainbow started construction all the way
- 5 through.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: I understand that, but when did
- 7 Rainbow --
- 8 MS. POLIVY: Reconsideration was denied by the --
- 9 well, as soon as Judge Marcus issued his order in June of
- 10 1991, Rainbow went back and started construction. Their
- 11 construction permit expired on August of 1991. They did not
- have an unexpired construction permit again until July 30,
- 13 1993.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: So how does this have any bearing
- 15 on the --
- MS. POLIVY: Well, it has a bearing --
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: -- extension of time request, the
- 18 sixth extension request if it was subsequent to that
- 19 request?
- MS. POLIVY: Well, Your Honor, it has a bearing on
- 21 the facts and circumstances surrounding the entire period
- because that's what it goes to.
- We have discussed here at great length why Rainbow
- 24 didn't go forward, why Rainbow thought that it was entitled
- 25 to have a unique slot at 1500 foot; why it was not voluntary

- in the sense of frivolous or capricious that they went
- 2 forward.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: I understand that.
- 4 MS. POLIVY: And I think that we should be
- 5 permitted to show that. If we have a lawsuit that we have
- 6 put in the complaint on, then I think at the very least that
- 7 verified complaint should also -- the amended complaint
- 8 should also be in. There is no reason.
- 9 JUDGE CHACHKIN: it depends. If the amended
- 10 complaint was filed within the relevant time period.
- MS. PO_IVY: No, it --
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: If it was filed after the sixth
- extension request, and after Rainbow had commenced
- 14 construction following Judge Marcus's decision, then what
- has happened subsequently has no bearing on the earlier
- 16 event.
- 17 MS. PCLIVY: I beg to differ with you, Your Honor,
- 18 because the matters in there bear on the same time frame.
- The amended complaint also bears on the time frame that you
- 20 said was significant.
- I move its admission, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Well, I am not going to receive
- 23 it since it came subsequent after the extension request, the
- 24 sixth extension request, and subsequent after the decision
- 25 by Rainbow to proceed with construction. So under those

	1	circumstances the fact that there was continuing litigation,
	2	which apparently eventuated in a settlement at some point,
and'	3	is irrelevant to the issues in this case, which deal with
	4	the justification for the sixth extension request.
	5	MS. POLIVY: Your Honor, I move the admission of
	6	Rainbow Exhibit 10.
	7	JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right, Rainbow Exhibit 9 is
	8	rejected.
	9	(The document referred to,
	10	having been previously marked
	11	for identification as Rainbow
	12	Exhibit No. 9, was rejected
	13	for admission.)
	14	JUDGE CHACHKIN: Any objection to Rainbow Exhibit
	15	10?
	16	MR. COLE: I object, Your Honor, on relevance
	17	grounds.
	18	JUDGE CHACHKIN: And that exhibit will also be
	19	rejected on relevance grounds.
	20	MR. COLE: Thank you, Your Honor.
	21	(The document referred to,
	22	having been previously marked
	23	for identification as Rainbow
	24	Exhibit No. 10, was rejected
	25	for admission.)

Τ.	JUDGE CHACHKIN: GO allead, MS. FOIIVY.
2	BY MS. POLIVY:
3	Q Mr. Rey, it has been suggested by Mr. Cole that
4	the litigation between Rainbow Broadcasting Company and
5	Gannett stem from Rainbow's objection to Press being on the
6	tower.
7	Was that in fact the reason?
8	MR. COLE: Objection. Leading.
9	JUDGE CHACHKIN: Sustained.
10	BY MS. POLIVY:
11	Q What was the reason that Rainbow objected to Press
12	being on the tower?
13	A That the landlord intended to duplicate the
14	singular space that Rainbow had leased back in 1986, and
15	lease it in this case to Rainbow Broadcasting.
16	Q Was there any other way that Press could have been
17	on the tower?
18	A Press could have been on the other available slot
19	on the tower, or anybody else could have been on the other
20	available slot on the tower as far as I'm concerned.
21	Q Would Rainbow have objected to that?
22	A Not at all.
23	VOIR DIRE EXAMINATION
24	JUDGF CHACHKIN: There was no technical, as I
25	understand from your testimony, in any proceedings, there

- was no technical ground which precluded Rainbow and Press
- 2 from operating on the same 1500 foot slot was there?
- THE WITNESS: There was a concern about
- 4 interference and whatnot. Your Honor, I think as a matter
- of fact we had been operating since June of 1994, and there
- 6 was no interference that occurred. At the time in 1990,
- 7 January of 1991, there were consulting engineers that
- 8 testified on the side of Rainbow that they thought that
- 9 there would be inference cost. But the fact of the matter
- is there hasn't been, Your Honor, in the last two years of
- 11 operation.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: So you are currently operating
- with Press on the same 1500 foot slot?
- THE WITNESS: Yes, their antenna is longer than
- ours, but we do share the aperture and there has not been
- interference as a matter of -- you know, as a practical
- matter. For two years of operation, there hasn't been any
- interference claimed by either side.
- 19 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Go ahead, Ms. Polivy.
- BY MS. POLIVY:
- 21 Q Mr. Rey, do you have Press Exhibit 16 in front of
- 22 you?
- 23 A Yes, I do.
- Q When did you first see that?
- This is the transcript of the prehearing

- 1 conference in November 7, 1990.
- When did you first see that prehearing transcript?
- 3 A Yesterday.
- 4 O Had you ever read it before?
- 5 A No. Not before yesterday, no.
- 6 Q You testified that your recollection was that
- 7 construction was discussed during that prehearing
- 8 conference.
- 9 A That's correct.
- 10 Q Have you had an opportunity to review the full
- 11 transcript?
- 12 A I read it again last night peripherally.
- 13 Q And did you find any mention of construction?
- 14 A Yes, the word "construction" appeared on page 10.
- Q Can you tell us what the context of that was as
- 16 you understand it?
- 17 A There was a sentence starting at number 3, Mr.
- 18 Fromberg says, "Your Honor, that would certainly -- if that
- included the fact that they won't allow any construction to
- take place on the antenna prior to the lease."
- 21 So my recollection of construction is correct, the
- 22 word "construction" is here. And not constructing, as I
- 23 said yesterday, is what I recall.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: But this deals with Press,
- doesn't it, Mr. Fromberg represented --

- THE WITNESS: I believe so, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Yes, but Mr. Fromberg is just
- making the argument that he would be satisfied if Press
- 4 could not do any constructing prior to the ruling on the
- 5 preliminary injunction.
- THE WITNESS: Yes, Your Honor. I am just saying
- 7 that from my recollection that construction was part of --
- 8 that construction was part of it. It's been six years since
- 9 it happened, and yesterday I was testifying as to my
- 10 recollection that it had to do with construction, and
- 11 construction is here.
- 12 You are right, it goes to the Defendant,
- absolutely right. I am just testifying to the fact that I
- 14 recall something about construction, and it's contained
- 15 herein.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right.
- 17 MS. POLIVY: Thank you, Mr. Rey.
- BY MS. POLIVY:
- 19 Q Mr. Rey how many employees did WDZL have?
- 20 MR. COLE: Objection. Irrelevant.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: How is that relevant?
- MS. POLIVY: Well, it's a preliminary question to
- what he did at WDZL and Mr. Conant.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Well, what difference does it
- 25 make if Mr. Conant didn't supervise him? There has been

- 1 testimony in the record.
- MS. POLIVY: Mr. Cole asked Mr. Rey if he was just
- an employee, "You were just an employee of WDZL, were you
- 4 not?" And Mr. Rey said, "Yes."
- I think we have a right to show in the context
- 6 what he did at WDZL.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Overruled.
- 8 BY MS. POLIVY:
- 9 Q How many employees did WDZL have?
- 10 A Approximately 60.
- 11 Q And how many did you supervise?
- 12 A Approximately a third of that.
- Q Where did you fit in the hierarchy of --
- 14 A WDZL -- I'm sorry.
- 15 Q -- executive portion of WDZL?
- 16 Go ahead.
- A WDZL was run by three of us; in essence, the
- 18 general manager the station manager, and myself as vice
- 19 president of sales. The three of us basically ran the
- 20 station. The general manager had the last word, but the
- 21 three of us ran the station.
- 22 Q In that capacity you were vice president of sales?
- 23 A Yes, ma'am.
- 24 O How often did you meet with Howard Conant
- regarding the station performance?

- A We reviewed the sales side and the expense side in
- detail at least once a quarter. There was a period of time
- in 1983 that we were doing this on a monthly basis.
- 4 Q Was this a matter of simply reporting, or was
- there more involved in your meetings?
- A Well, it was reporting the status of the station
- 7 in detail to the principal limited partner and guarantor of
- 8 the loan.
- 9 Q Did Rainbow Broadcasting Company have
- 10 shareholders?
- 11 A No, they did not. They had partners with
- 12 interest.
- 13 Q In your deposition in the Florida proceeding, it's
- been discussed previously, you agreed with Mr. Hardeman,
- Gannett's counsel, that Mr. Conant would be a Rainbow
- 16 Broadcasting Company shareholder.
- 17 Was that correct?
- 18 A He held shares of the positive cash flow and a
- share of the net sales proceed. So he was a shareholder in
- 20 that sense.
- Q Was he a partner?
- 22 A No, he was not.
- Q Did he have a partner's share?
- A No, he did not.
- 25 (Pause.)

	Τ	MR. EISEN: four honor, I am going to distribute
	2	some further documents as Rainbow Exhibit 11.
ww.	3	MS. POLIVY: Your Honor, we are now distributing a
	4	document entitled "Order of Remand from the United States
	5	District Court, Southern District of Florida," four pages
	6	signed by Stanley Marcus as the District Court judge on the
	7	5th day of June 1992.
	8	JUDGE CHACHKIN: The document describe is marked
	9	for identification as Rainbow Exhibit 11.
	10	(The document referred to was
	11	marked for identification as
	12	Rainbow Exhibit No. 11.)
	13	BY MS. POLIVY:
•••	14	Q Mr. Rey, before we get to that I would like to ask
	15	you one question.
	16	For the period of August 1990, the end of August
	17	1990, which was the end of the Supreme Court's review of the
	18	Rainbow decision, until August 1, 1993, which was the day
	19	after the FCC grant of reconsideration reinstating Rainbow's
	20	construction permit, could you tell us when Rainbow had an
	21	unexpired and valid construction permit precisely?
	22	A It was from August 30th of 1990 to July of 1991.
	23	Q And during that period what portion of that time
	24	was Rainbow unable to go forward with construction because
	25	the landlord was under a court order not to construct?

	1	MR. COLE: Objection.
	2	JUDGE CHACHKIN: Sustained.
	3	BY MS. POLIVY:
	4	Q For what period of that time, Mr. Rey, is it your
	5	opinion that Rainbow was precluded from actual construction
	6	because of the tower litigation and the order that Judge
	7	Marcus had issued regarding the Defendant maintaining the
	8	status quo?
	9	A That would cover the period of time from November
	10	of 1990 through June of 1991. So that would be six - seven,
	11	seven and a half months.
	12	Q And had the Commission acted on your request for
-	13	extension of time by June of 1991, would Rainbow have been
	14	able to complete construction of its facility by December
	15	31, 1992?
	16	MR. COLE: Objection. Calls for a conclusion.
	17	MS. POLIVY: It's his opinion.
	18	JUDGE CHACHKIN: Sustained.
	19	BY MS. POLIVY:
	20	Q Mr. Rey, do you have an opinion on whether or not
	21	Rainbow could have completed construction within an 18-month
	22	period?

23 A Very much so.

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Rainbow actually constructed in a seven and a half month period when it constructed in 1993. It was ready to

1	go on the air in March of 1994.
2	Q And that was after the Commission
3	A Right after the Commission granted Rainbow
4	constructed in a matter of seven and a half months.
5	Q Thank you.
6	MS. POLIVY: Your Honor, the order of remand that
7	we have asked for identification on is Judge Marcus's
8	subsequent order regarding the meaning and caveat to his
9	order on preliminary injunction, making clear that he was
10	not making any conclusion on the merits. And we ask it be
11	admitted into evidence as Rainbow Exhibit 11.
12	JUDGE CHACHKIN: Any objection?
13	MR. CCLE: Objection. Relevance grounds, Your
14	Honor.
15	JUDGE CHACHKIN: Sustained. Rainbow Exhibit 11 is
16	rejected.
17	(The document referred to,
18	having been previously marked
19	for identification as Rainbow
20	Exhibit No. 11, was rejected
21	for admission.)
22	MS. POLIVY: I have no further questions.

MR. COLE: I have a couple of questions, Your

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JUDGE CHACHKIN: Any further questions for this

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witness?

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- 1 Honor.
- 2 RECROSS-EXAMINATION
- BY MR. COLE:
- 4 Q Mr. Rey, on redirect examination by Ms. Polivy I
- 5 believe you mentioned, or you testified, and please correct
- 6 me if I am wrong, that you understood that your Rainbow
- 7 construction permit was valid and in effect to July '91. I
- 8 believe that was your testimony.
- 9 Do you recall that?
- 10 A I believe that's when the fifth extension expired.
- It expired, I think, towards the end of '91, to the best of
- 12 my recollection.
- MR. CCLE: I just want to, Your Honor, all I want
- to do is refer the witness and counsel to Joint Exhibit 1,
- the stipulation of the parties, which reflects that the
- 16 fifth extension request, and this is at Stipulation No. 14
- on page 3, that the fifth extension request granted the
- permit through August 5, 1991, just so the record is clear.
- 19 THE WITNESS: I apologize for a few days upon
- 20 recall.
- MR. COLE: No further questions, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Mr. Silberman?
- MR. SILBERMAN: Yes, Your Honor, a few questions,
- 24 please.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Go ahead.

	1		RECROSS-EXAMINATION
	2		BY MR. SILBERMAN:
-	3	Q	Mr. Rey on Rainbow Exhibit 9, which was rejected
	4	but I have	e a quescion
	5		MS. POLIVY: I object, Your Honor. If that
	6		MR. SILBERMAN: Let me ask the question. I will
	7	not refer	to the exhibit.
	8		MS. POLIVY: Well, you can if it's within the
	9	redirect.	
	10		JUDGE CHACHKIN: What is the question?
	11		BY MR. BLOCK:
	12	Q	Did you eventually settle the Gannett litigation?
	13		MS. POLIVY: Your Honor, I object.
	14		JUDGE CHACHKIN: Well, there has been testimony
	15	that it wa	as settled.
	16		MS. POLIVY: Then it's repetitive.
	17		MR. SILBERMAN: Did you
	18		MS. POLIVY: I did not raise it during
	19		BY MF. SILBERMAN:
	20	Q	Did you settle the
	21		JUDGE CHACHKIN: I will permit the question.
	22		BY MR. SILBERMAN:
	23	Q	Did you settle the Gannett litigation?
Nemer -	24	А	Yes, sir.
	25	Q	Did you eventually agree with Gannett that Press
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- could share the top position on the tower as part of the
- 2 settlement?
- MS. POLIVY: I object, Your Honor.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: He hasn't finished the question.
- 5 MS. POLIVY: Yes, he did. I object. It's beyond
- 6 the scope of redirect. There is no reason to open a new
- 7 area. It is the kind of thing -- for some reason I even
- 8 consider it irrelevant. Also, it's in the record.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: I believe it may be in the record
- because I did ask the witness about it, and he did
- 11 eventually say that they in fact are sharing the 1500 foot
- 12 slot.
- MR. SILBERMAN: Correct.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: The matter was settled.
- 15 MR. SLLBERMAN: I am asking -- I'm sorry.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Go ahead.
- 17 BY MR. SILBERMAN:
- 18 Q Did you agree with Gannett -- did you eventually
- agree that Press could share the top position on the tower
- 20 as part of the settlement? Yes or no.
- 21 A Yes.
- 22 Q And wasn't that after you changed your opinion on
- 23 the value of Rainbow as the sixth station in the Orlando
- 24 market?
 - MS. POLIVY: I object to the question, Your Honor.

1	THE WITNESS: I don't understand. I don't
2	understand.
3	JUDGE CHACHKIN: The witness doesn't understand
4	the question.
5	MR. SILBERMAN: May I rephrase the question?
6	JUDGE CHACHKIN: Go ahead.
'7	BY MR. SILBERMAN:
8	Q Was that after you had changed your mind about the
9	viability of the sixth station in the Orlando market?
10	MS. POLIVY: I object. This is beyond the scope
11	of redirect, and it is totally irrelevant.
12	JUDGE CHACHKIN: I will overrule the objection.
13	THE WITNESS: I think settlement took place in the
14	summer of 1993.
15	BY MR SILBERMAN:
16	Q And was that after you had changed your mind about
17	the viability of the sixth station in the market?
18	A Yes.
19	Q And you have also testified, I believe, that you
20	paid rent, in response to questions from Ms. Polivy about
21	paying rent of approximately \$500,000?
22	A I believe the answer was 500,000 to a question
23	related betweer the time October '86 to August of '93. I
24	believe about a half a million dollars in rent was paid,

yes, sir.

- 1 Q If you were willing to spend that money for its
- 2 constructing during this time period, which was -- could you
- 3 tell us the time period you spent that money?
- 4 A I just said. The money was spent between October
- of '86 and August of 1993.
- 6 Q After August 1990 until 1993, why didn't you spend
- 7 money on equipmert and go forward with construction if you
- 8 were willing to spend the money on the tower rental?
- 9 MS. POLIVY: Objection, Your Honor. It's beyond
- 10 the scope of redirect. He wants to go into his cross-
- examination again, and if he is permitted to do so, I assume
- we are permitted to go right back again.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: Well, you raised the question of
- 14 how much money he had expended.
- MS. POLIVY: I raised the question on how much
- money he spent on rent. I did not raise the question as to
- why he did or didn't buy equipment.
- MR. SILBERMAN: Your Honor, she opened the door
- when she asked him how much he spent on rent. I am asking
- 20 if he could sp∈nd the money on the rent, why couldn't --
- 21 JUDGE CHACHKIN: I will permit the question.
- MR. SILBERMAN: -- he spend the money on the
- equipment and go forward with construction of the station
- 24 after August 1390.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: I will permit the question.

- THE WITNESS: Answer, one, is I had a contract with Guy Gannett that I have to pay the rent every month. 2 So it's not that I can take that money and put it someplace 3 If I put is someplace else, I am in breach of my 4 lease with the landlord, and I have no tower space. So you question infers that I have that money to 7 I have to spend it on the contract that I signed on the dotted line for. That's part of the answer. 8 9 The other part of the answer, as I mentioned 10 yesterday, I don t think that I can build and operate a station without a valid construction permit. So if I have 11 12 dollar one and I can spend it either item A or item B, and I am a signator to a contract with item A, I am going to take 13 14 dollar one and put it in item A because I am obligated to that. 15 The other one, I don't think I have the right to 16 build and operate a station that I don't have a valid 17 construction permit for. 18 19 Q May I ask you after August 1990, the Supreme Court denying the rehearing, didn't you have a valid construction 20 21 permit?
- 22 A Yes, I did so.
- MR. SILBERMAN: Thank you very much. I have no further questions.

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1	VOIR DIRE EXAMINATION
2	JUDGE CHACHKIN: One thing I want to make clear.
3	At one point you considered the permit worthless
4	because you were going to be the sixth station in the
5	market; is that correct?
6	THE WITNESS: I believe that in late 1990, early
7	1991, in the light of the economic situation, et cetera,
8	that if Rainbow were to be the sixth station when the fifth
9	was already up and going and picking up more speed, I did
10	believe that the Rainbow permit could have been valueless
11	had that been the case right then and there.
12	Yes, sir, I did believe that.
13	JUDGE CHACHKIN: And what economic situation are
14	you talking about?
15	THE WITNESS: I am talking about the advertising
16	industry situation. Advertising budgets get planned not as
17	they happen, but they plan for example, in the second
18	half for mid 1990 you already can get a picture for 1991
19	advertising revenues. So towards the end of 1990 we are in
20	a recession. Advertising budgets are projected, estimated
21	to be lower in 991, et cetera. I was a very pessimistic
22	period in time, sir.
23	JUDGE CHACHKIN: So this was late 1990. And how
24	long did you continue to believe this?
25	THE WITNESS: As 1991 evolved, especially after
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- the Gulf War ended, there was optimism in the advertising,
- and broadcasting industry grew, and there was talk about a
- new network flourishing in the near future. And by mid year
- 4 I came to know that Nielsen was going to meter the market,
- and that made a huge difference in terms of a start-up
- 6 station in the audience performance as reported by meters
- 7 vis-a-vis as reported by diary method. And Miami went from
- 8 a three share to a eight share, and it was quite significant
- 9 what meter measurement can do to a new station.
- So it was an evolving process. But by mid 1991, I
- believed that it was -- viability was going to take more
- money, and indeed it has taken more money in the actual
- experience that we have had in the last two years. It's
- 14 taken a lot mor∈ money for the long term viability of the
- station, and we were correct in thinking that it was going
- to require more money back in 1991, and indeed have required
- a lot more money in the actual practice.
- 18 JUDGE CHACHKIN: So by mid 1991, you had reviewed
- 19 that a sixth station in the market was viable?
- THE WITNESS: Yes. It was going to take longer to
- break even, muci longer for the -- for the long term viable,
- 22 yes, sir.
- JUDGE CHACHKIN: And when was Judge Marcus's
- decision denying your preliminary injunction?
- THE WITNESS: June 6th, I believe, is the date I